

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Previously Presented) A method for sending an audio file to an electronic mail (email) recipient over a wireless communications network from a user of a wireless communication device, the method comprising:

- communicatively connecting to a first server over the wireless communications network;
- receiving input from the user selecting an option presented by the first server to send the audio file to the email recipient;

- communicatively connecting the wireless communication device to a second server over the wireless communications network in response to the selected option, wherein the first server transmits a signal to the second server indicating a pending connection with the wireless communication device, the signal including information identifying the wireless communication device;

- recording the audio file on the second server; and

- sending the recorded audio file to the email recipient as part of an email message.

2. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the step of communicatively connecting to a first server further comprises:

- dialing a phone number for connecting to the first server using the wireless communication device; and

- establishing a data packet connection between the wireless communication device and the first server.

3. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein receiving input from the user selecting an option to send the audio file further comprises:

receiving input from the user selecting an option to compose a new email message; and
receiving input from the user selecting an option to attach the audio file to the new email message.

4. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein receiving input from the user selecting an option to send the audio file further comprises:

presenting a received email message on the wireless communication device;
receiving input from the user selecting an option to respond to the received email message; and
receiving input from the user selecting an option to attach the audio file to the response to the received email message.

5. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the communicatively connecting the wireless communication device to a second server further comprises:

terminating the connection with the first server; and
establishing an audio connection between the wireless communication device and the second server.

6. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 5, wherein the signal further includes user identification information.

7. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 5, wherein the terminating the connection with the first server comprises storing a set of state information on the wireless communication device, the state information comprising a status of an interaction between the wireless communication device and the first server for allowing the wireless communication device to return to the same state in the first server that existed prior to terminating the connection.

8. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the recording the audio file comprises:

providing an audio input through the wireless communication device; and
storing the audio input as an audio file on the second server.

9. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 8, further comprising providing the user with at least one option, the option selected from the group consisting of:

re-recording the audio file[[,]] and canceling the recording, ~~and sending the audio file to the email recipient.~~

10. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the sending the audio file to the email recipient further comprises:

transmitting a signal to the first server indicating that the audio file is ready to be sent;
attaching the audio file to an electronic mail message; and
sending the electronic mail message to the email recipient.

11. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising:
disconnecting from the first server in order to communicatively connect to the second server; and

reconnecting to the first server before sending the recorded audio file to the email recipient.

12. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 11, wherein the reconnecting to the first server comprises providing the user with a plurality of options selected from the group consisting of:

listening to a second audio file stored on the second server and reconnecting to the first server.

13. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the first server comprises an email server.

14. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the second server comprises an interactive voice response server.

15. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the first and second servers are connected by common platform means.

16. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the audio file comprises a .wav file.

17. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the sending the audio file to the email recipient comprises sending a hyperlink to the audio file stored on the second server.

18. (Previously Presented) A method for sending a message to an electronic mail (email) recipient over a wireless communications network from a wireless communication device, comprising:

dialing a phone number for communicatively connecting the wireless communication device to an email server by a data packet connection over the wireless communication network;

receiving input selecting an option presented by the email server to send a voice message to the email recipient;

communicatively connecting the wireless communication device to an interactive voice response server over the wireless communication network in response to the selected option, wherein the email server transmits a signal to the interactive voice response server indicating a pending connection with the wireless communication device, the signal including information identifying the wireless communication device;

recording the voice message on the interactive voice response server; and

sending the recorded voice message in an attachment to an email to the email recipient.

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27. (Currently Amended) A method of sending an audio message in association with an electronic mail (email) message, the method comprising:

providing a wireless communication device with access to an email message;

receiving, by a mail server, input from the wireless communication device selecting an option to associate an audio file with the email message;

instructing, by the mail server, the wireless communication device to connect to a voice server;

transmitting a signal from the mail server to the voice server indicating a pending connection with the wireless communication device, wherein the signal includes information uniquely identifying the wireless communication device;

receiving, by the mail server, input from the voice server indicating that the audio file is available; and

transmitting, by the mail server, a representation of the audio file in association with the email message.

28. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 27, wherein the email message comprises a new email message.

29. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 27, wherein the information uniquely identifying the wireless communication device comprises a telephone number corresponding to the wireless communication device.

30. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 27, wherein the representation of the audio file comprises a link to the audio file stored on the voice server.

31. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 27, wherein instructing, by the mail server, the wireless communication device to connect to a voice server further comprises:

transmitting to the wireless communication device a telephone number corresponding to the voice server.

32. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 27, wherein receiving, by the mail server, input from the voice server indicating that the audio file is available further comprises:

receiving information identifying the wireless communication device with which the audio file is associated.

33. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 32, wherein the information identifying the wireless communication device with which the audio file is associated comprises a telephone number corresponding to the wireless communication device.